

~~IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE~~

In re Application of:

FIELDS ET AL.

Serial No. 09/171,432

Filed: November 23, 1998

For: **ANTIGENICALLY REACTIVE
REGIONS OF THE HEPATITIS A
VIRUS POLYPROTEIN**



Examiner: **BRUMBACK, B.**

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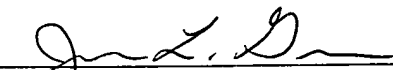
Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement in the Office Action mailed May 9, 2000, applicants respectfully elect Group II, Claims 70-73, with traverse.


If the Examiner believes any informalities remain in the application which may be corrected by Examiner's Amendment, or there are any other issues which can be resolved by

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telephone interview, a telephone call to the undersigned attorney at (404) 949-2400 is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,
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